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City sees largest growth ever, now nearly 1.2M strong

Every person counts. Census data used to guide city decisions, add weight to federal and provincial grant applications

Calgary's population grew by its largest margin ever and now stands at just shy of 1.2 million people, according to the results of the 2014 municipal census, released Tuesday.

A total of 1,195,194 people were recorded in the annual count, an increase of 38,508 people, or 3.3 per cent, over 2013.

"Calgary experienced this year its greatest single year of growth in population," Mayor Naheed Nenshi said.

Saddleridge was the fastest-growing community, with an increase of 2,373 residents from 2013.

The next fastest-growing communities were Auburn Bay with 2,242 new residents, Cranston with 1,858, Skyview Ranch with 1,759, Panorama Hills with 1,384, Aspen Woods with 1,095 and Beltline with 1,091.

That marks a 5.4 per cent year-over-year increase in Beltline, which Nenshi said was part of a larger shift toward growth in mature communities.

"I would suspect that over time we will see the Beltline become the most populated neighbourhood in the city," the mayor said.

The core-area community is currently Calgary's third largest, with 21,357 residents, just behind Evergreen's 21,386 residents. Panorama Hills remains the largest community with 25,130 people.

Beltline Communities president Rob Taylor said the area's growth is largely due to "millennial urbanites" seeking a downtown lifestyle, but also a growing number of "empty nesters" opting to move from large suburban homes after they retire and their kids move out.

The city also released a corrected version of the 2013 census Monday, as returning officer Barb Clifford noted there was a rare error in those numbers.

"That's the first one I've had in 25 years," she said.

A "tabulation error" occurred during the city's migration from a manual to automated process of census-data recording, she added, that resulted in about 7,000 preschool-aged children not being counted.

The Calgary Board of Education — which uses city census data for school planning — noticed the error and it was quickly corrected, Clifford said.

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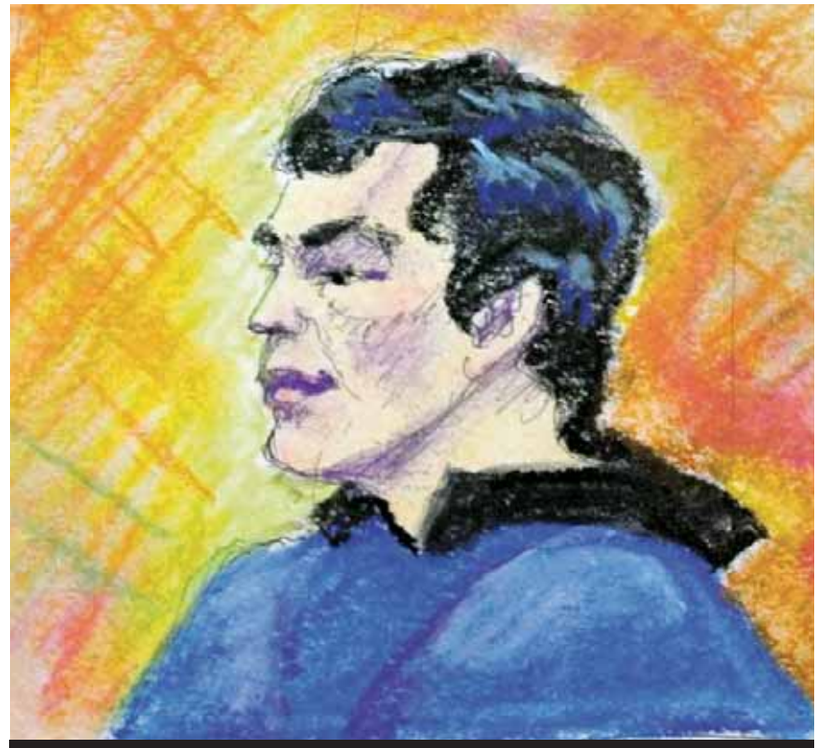

FACING THE ACCUSED KILLER

Matthew de Grood, the man accused in the stabbing deaths of five young Calgary adults, is depicted in this courtroom sketch. On Tuesday, family members of the five victims glared at their loved ones' accused killer as he appeared before a judge and was ordered to undergo a second round of psychiatric assessment to determine whether he's fit to stand trial. For the story, see page 6. COURTESY SHARON SARGENT

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Temp. foreign workers

Federal program strips people's dignity: Nenshi

Canada's temporary foreign worker program, even with the federal government's proposed reforms, fundamentally "strips people of their dignity," Calgary Mayor Naheed Nenshi said Tuesday.

"I think people deserve a dignified life," Nenshi told reporters. "We've got to figure out a better way."

The mayor, whose parents are both immigrants to Canada, said the basic premise of only allowing international workers to come to the country for two years "to serve us our coffee in the morning" effectively treats people "like commodities."

"In the past, when we had immigration that allowed, for example, for family re-unification, people would come here and take jobs and live great lives," Nenshi said.

He highlighted the example of a woman he met in Calgary who came to Canada decades ago, took a job at McDonald's that she still at 25 years later, while her son went on to become an engineer and her daughter a lawyer.

"She stayed at McDonald's because they were the ones who first gave her a chance when she came to Canada," he said. "That's a good, Canadian story."

Nenshi's comments came during the release of Calgary's municipal census results for 2013, and he pointed out that the city's population "pyramid" actually looks more like a "mushroom" bulging in the middle-age range but narrow in the young-adult range. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Alvin Murray, north operations manager for city animal and bylaw services, said his team treats all dogs responsible for biting incidents the same. METRO FILE

City wrong to euthanize dog so quickly: Expert

Bylaw dispute. Owners, city argue over fate of pet after killing poodle

City bylaw officials should have properly assessed whether a killer bull terrier could be rehabilitated before destroying the animal, contends a Calgary dog trainer and behaviourist.

Chaos, a three-year-old "pit bull-type" American Staffordshire bull terrier, killed a poodle he encountered while on a walk with co-owner Sarah O'Leary earlier this month, but she claims it was the small dog that approached her animal, not the other way around.

Chaos was surrendered to city bylaw officials Wednesday and put down Friday. O'Leary claims she was duped and expected a judge to make a final ruling on the dog's fate in September.

The city has deflected any claims that she and the dog's registered owner, who has declined to be named, were misled.

But Alvin Murray, the city's north operations manager for animal and bylaw services, said he didn't believe Chaos was assessed at all before being euthanized.

"The fact that it killed another animal is enough," he said. "We would not put that animal back out into the community."

But Rory O'Neill, founder of Rocky Mountain Animal Rescue, as well as a registered dog trainer and behaviourist, criticized city officials for not properly assessing whether Chaos could have been rehabilitated.

"I think the city, (in) putting down that dog, is vicious as well," she said. "They should take more time to survey what happened."

The city's responsible pet ownership bylaw states that a decision on whether a dog is vicious is left to a judge and follows a hearing process.

The bylaw also states that no animal should be euthanized by the city's animal and bylaw services director until seven days after the animal's owner has been notified that it's in custody. Even in cases where the animal's proper owner and address is not known, the city is required to hold the animal for 72 hours before destroying it.

But Murray said the bylaw doesn't apply if the pet's owner signs over custody to the city — something he maintained Chaos' owners did.

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

Euthanizing rare: City

- City bylaw services manager Alvin Murray noted that while only the most severe biting incidents are reported to Calgary media, the majority of dogs responsible for less serious offences are spared.
- He said of 218 biting incidents recorded in the first half of 2014, only 13 dogs were euthanized. Another four cases remain before the courts.

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Icelandic wedding shoot leads to global success for lensman

Shutterbug's triumph. SAIT grad is fielding international inquiries from brides after an epic photo session in Reykjavik went viral

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Gushing waterfalls, rolling mountains as far as the eye can see, and a bride and groom that were game for anything.

It was a dream come true for Calgary wedding photographer Gabe McClintock.

The bride-to-be, Sarah Walk, a skilled photographer in her own right, had followed his work for some time prior to her big day and hired him to venture to Ohio to snap wedding shots at a family ranch.

But McClintock said she and husband Josh weren't thrilled with planning a big wedding and made a last-minute decision to elope in Reykjavik, Iceland, in early June. McClintock and one of his close friends got to come along to capture the adventure.

Quoted

"I don't really think it could have gotten any better."

Photographer Gabe McClintock, on his wedding photo shoot in Iceland

"We knew we wanted to see some waterfalls — obviously — but we didn't have any locations picked out," the SAIT Polytechnic grad said of planning his multi-day photo shoot.

But the scenery turned out to be unlike anything he could imagine. The Walks ventured across some lush terrain south of the Icelandic capital, with dramatic clouds rolling overhead. McClintock followed closely behind, a smile strewn across his face.

"'Holy s–t.' That went through my head a lot," he said. "I don't really think it could have gotten any better."

The newly married couple posted the photos online upon returning home to Ohio and they instantly garnered reaction from around the world. McClintock's work recently ended up on Yahoo's front page and stories have been written by European and North American outlets alike.

McClintock, meanwhile, has been fielding an "astronomical" number of inquiries from other brides in Russia, Singapore and elsewhere.

Online

For more of Gabe McClintock's photos and a link to a collection of his work, head to metronews.ca/calgary

A sample of the photos snapped of newlyweds Josh and Sarah Walk by Calgary photographer Gabe McClintock. Scan this picture with your Metro News app to see more photos from Josh and Sarah's photo shoot. COURTESY GABE MCCLINTOCK

Mount Royal students face another parking hike

Parking prices at Mount Royal University's campus are set to rise again this year. KEN VAN DE WALLE/FOR METRO

Students at Mount Royal University will have to worry about paying more than just tuition this year as parking prices at the school's paved paradise jumped once again.

During the 2013 school year, costs for student parking on campus jumped after steep cuts to provincial post-secondary education grants.

Now in July, parking prices at Mount Royal University went up in all of the lots, and one of the open lots is being closed down permanently to make way for future campus construction.

Quoted

"It's inconvenient having to spend so much money just for the luxury of saving time."

Mount Royal University student Ryan Tessier, who would have to spend three hours a day commuting without a car

Prices in the open lots have gone up an average of $30 per month each of the past two years, while prices in the gated lots have gone up $25. Prices are expected to go up by the same amounts this year.

Officials at Mount Royal University say the boost in cost is necessary for economic reasons.

"We just did a minor adjustment, and that's just to deal with the rates of inflation," said Duane Anderson, the vice-president of administrative services at Mount Royal.

"So it's not because of any reaction to any budget issues or challenges."

However, several students are still upset about this change.

"It's frustrating for starters. Especially as a new driver that would normally spend three hours a day commuting back and forth from home to school using transit," said Ryan Tessier, a student at Mount Royal University.

"It's inconvenient having to spend so much money just for the luxury of saving time — time I can better use studying."

KEN VAN DE WALLE/FOR METRO

Lowered speed limit to take effect from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Rather than a mishmash of sunset-dependent hours, 30 km/h speed limits in Calgary's school and playground zones will be standardized to take effect between 7:30 a.m. and 9 p.m.

City council approved the change Tuesday, with only Mayor Naheed Nenshi voting against it.

"I really feel like we're overstepping by making everything 9 p.m.," the mayor said.

Nenshi noted that many schools don't have playgrounds that are accessible after school hours.

But most of council agreed the existing rules, particularly the "one-hour after sunset" end time for playground zones, needed to be clarified and simplified.

"Who knows exactly when that one hour after sunset is?" Coun. Shane Keating said.

"That's the confusion that was out there."

Transportation general manager Mac Logan said the city will apply decals reflecting the new hours over existing playground and school-zone signs over the next six weeks, at a cost of roughly $157,000.

New signs are to be erected next year at an estimated cost of $545,000, Logan said.

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The cost

$545K

The cost of new speed limit signs that will go up next year in school and playground zones. In the meantime, the city will spend $157,000 on putting up decals.

A lowered speed limit sign. METRO FILE

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Accused mass murderer comes face to face with victims' families

Brentwood stabbings. Matthew de Grood to undergo second psychiatric evaluation

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Matthew de Grood flashed a slight smile as he walked out of a Calgary courtroom Tuesday, bringing to an end his first public appearance since being charged in the stabbing deaths of five people at an April house party.

The 22-year-old is due to undergo a psychiatric assessment at an Edmonton hospital to determine whether he can be found criminally responsible for the deaths of Lawrence Hong, Josh Hunter, Kaiti Perras, Zackariah Rathwell and Jordan Segura.

De Grood had already previously been declared fit to stand trial by a psychiatrist. Crown prosecutor Neil Wiberg said the second assessment was necessary because de Grood has been committed under the Mental Health Act by a psychiatrist at the Southern Alberta Psychiatric Centre.

Several members of the victims' families were in attendance for de Grood's appearance Tuesday. Some of them leaned forward and glared at the accused murderer as he took his place in the prisoner's box. It was only after he was dismissed that de Grood showed emotion. But while he appeared pleased, lawyer Allan Fay deemed his client "nervous" during recent discussions between the two.

"Obviously, he's been in custody for some time since this occurred ... as he's treated further, I think he becomes more lucid and the impact of what he's facing really comes home to him," Fay said.

A preliminary inquiry, likely the first time details of the grisly killings inside a Brentwood-area home will come to light, was scheduled for the first two weeks of March.

Family members of the victims declined to comment as they exited the courthouse.

The case

What's known so far:

- Police have said Matthew de Grood was invited to the ill-fated end-of-semester party at a Brentwood home where the killings occurred April 15.
- He's said to have mingled with guests at the party for a short time before the attacks began.
- De Grood is the son of a senior Calgary police officer.

Matthew de Grood is seen being carted away on a stretcher in April after being arrested in connection with the stabbing deaths of five people at a house party. METRO FILE

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New fest fuses food, beer and music

Circle the Wagons. 5,000 expected to show up in September for outdoor event that organizers say is passion 'come to fruition'

Good food, suds and live music are the bait to lure Calgarians to the newest celebration on the city's streets.

Circle the Wagons is a festival planned for Sept. 20, and has been created as a collaboration between BassBus, Village Brewery and YYCFoodTrucks.

The celebration will be a ticketed event and will feature live music and entertainers, local food, beer and art.

"It started with Jim from Village Brewery," said Baran Faber, an organizer of Circle the Wagons and one of the owners of BassBus. "He had this dream to bring together this kind of mobile community and create a small kind of day event in the middle of it. This is finally it, going into fruition."

Faber is expecting around 5,000 people to show up to the family-friendly event.

"The support, passion, and excitement behind what we have all accomplished over the last few years is something to be proud of," said James Boettcher of YYCFoodTrucks.

The event will be held in a secret outdoor location. Organizers are giving people a lot of time to plan for what they say is going to be a huge event.

"It's a crazy time of year. To give two months of time to purchase tickets is pretty normal for an event this size," said Faber.

Tickets will be available for purchase on the event's website at circlethewagons.ca.

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Edmonton couple reveal their $50-million secret

How long could you keep a $50-million secret?

Andrea and Bill Groner managed to keep their lottery windfall in the immediate family for seven months.

But the Edmonton couple's exciting news is now out — they are the mystery winners of the $50-million Lotto Max jackpot from Dec. 20.

Andrea discovered the win two days after the draw when she stopped at a shopping mall and checked the ticket at a self-serve scanner.

The couple decided to keep to their normal routines for a while and continued to work.

But now that their identity has been revealed, they say they want to help family, friends and charities.

"We have some ideas for the money," Andrea said as they picked up their cheque Tuesday at the Western Canada Lottery office.

"We'll take it one day at a time," Bill added.

Andrea recalled her reaction when she found out the ticket was a winner.

"I had to double-check the numbers in the paper to be sure," she said. "It was hard to believe."

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Assault

Sucker-punch suspect sought

Police are asking the public for assistance in identifying a man responsible for an assault Sunday morning.

At approximately 2 a.m., a 25-year-old man was with his friends in the 200 block of 12 Avenue SW when an unknown man approached him and punched him in the face, police said.

Police are asking anyone with information to call 403-266-1234. METRO

Northeast Calgary. No charges in fatal weekend pedestrian collision

No charges are being laid in a fatal pedestrian collision in northeast Calgary over the weekend.

Emergency services were called to the 100 block of Saddlecrest Green NE around 11:40 p.m. Saturday following reports that a pedestrian had been struck by a car. The man was rushed to hospital in life-threatening condition, and died Monday from his injuries.

After further investigation, it was determined that the man fell off the hood of the car after jumping on it, police said.

As the driver did not cause the crash, no charges will be laid, police said.

The victim and driver are known to each other, and neither drugs nor alcohol are believed to be factors. METRO

City limo fleet could enter app showdown with Uber

Luxury at touch of a button? Mayor hints at embracing tech side of limo, cab service

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Calgary's largest luxury-ride provider could launch its own app in a matter of days, should laws governing customer pickups and minimum charges ever be relaxed, says the company's head.

Allied Limousine general manager Cam Naghshineh said he was encouraged by words from Mayor Naheed Nenshi during a council meeting Monday, in which the mayor questioned whether the city was moving in the "wrong direction" with its regulations as so-called e-hailing apps continue to gain popularity.

The city's livery bylaw requires that all luxury-ride drivers charge a minimum $78 for their services.

A new amendment passed Monday mandates that all trips in limousines and sedans be arranged a minimum of 30 minutes in advance.

But Nenshi indicated those rules don't jibe with controversial app Uber and similar offerings that allow customers to link directly with drivers.

Uber has expressed a desire to roll ahead in Calgary but deemed the laws governing limo and sedan operations dated.

Naghshineh agrees, but said Uber would only take a small portion of the market as his dispatch system has a feature that would allow an Allied app to be rolled out promptly.

"The only difference between Uber and ours is they take a pretty steep cut from the driver for each reservation," he said.

"Ours would not cost the driver anything … I have no doubt most drivers will steer away from them after a short while of realizing how they operate."

A similar scenario played out among taxi brokers, who developed apps shortly after one called FastCab debuted in Calgary.

Those brokers, however, also filed a $1-million lawsuit claiming FastCab creator Jeff Doepker was operating without a proper licence and putting customers at risk.

Uber ran an "ice cream on demand" service aimed at generating buzz in Calgary and have said they plan to continue lobbying livery officials to loosen regulations.

On Tuesday, officials behind the controversial app accused the taxi industry of doing everything "in its power to protect its monopoly."

"This means defending existing protectionist rules which hurt Calgary consumers … and pushing absurd new rules that go even further to block competition in urban transportation," the company said in a release.

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Officials with Uber have expressed a desire to operate in Calgary, providing strict laws surrounding the operation of luxury sedans and limos are relaxed. METRO FILE

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"The technology is definitely a part of the future and improvements of this type of business."

Cam Naghshineh, general manager of Allied Limousine

How to name a building. City ready to review rules

Calgary will review the way it decides which corporations can purchase naming rights to city buildings and those of partner organizations.

City council ordered the review Tuesday, at the behest of Coun. Diane Colley-Urquhart, a 14-year veteran of municipal government.

"Since I've been on council, I've often wondered how competitive our naming policy was," she said.

"Many times when the naming idea comes forward, it's who comes in the door first."

As an example, Colley-Urquhart said city staff effectively informed councillors in a closed-door meeting years ago that Lindsay Park was to be renamed the Talisman Centre, with little oversight or debate.

"At the time, Talisman was involved in some global initiatives that were very controversial," Colley-Urquhart noted.

Coun. Shane Keating agreed that the city should formalize the naming-rights process.

"We should be doing that in a much more proactive and organized manner," he said.

Mayor Naheed Nenshi supported the move, too, but noted it would be part of a naming-rights policy review that's already underway.

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Boy who will be king turns 1

Prince William and his wife Kate visit the Sensational Butterflies exhibition at the Natural History Museum in London with their son, in this photo, taken July 2 but released Monday to mark Prince George's first birthday Tuesday. JOHN STILLWELL, POOL/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Actress Pinto speaks up for mutilated girls at U.K. summit

Girls' rights. Slumdog Millionaire star calls for increased efforts to abolish practice of female genital mutilation

Actress Freida Pinto of Slumdog Millionaire fame has joined forces with girls' rights campaigners in calling for an end to the practice of female genital mutilation.

The Indian actress, an ambassador for an international children's development organization, called Tuesday for more progress to abolish the practice as she addressed Britain's inaugural Girl Summit.

UNICEF, the United Nations' children agency, said some progress has been made on ending female genital mutilation, most commonly practiced in Africa and the Middle East. It is still highly prevalent in Egypt, Sudan, Mali and Somalia.

The agency and Britain's government hope that the summit will help galvanize action to end the practice within a generation.

Britain's government announced new measures to tackle the problems in the U.K., including prosecution for parents if they fail to prevent their daughters from being subjected to the practice.

The one-day event also focused on child marriages, which UNICEF says affects 700 million women alive today, especially in sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia.

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Malala

Also to address the summit was Malala Yousafzai, the teenager who was shot by the Taliban and recovered to become a global campaigner for education and women's rights.

- "Traditions are not sent from heaven, they are not sent from God," she said. "It is we who make cultures and we have the right to change it and we should change it."

Moon landing

Obama has private meeting with Apollo 11 crew

This week's 45th anniversary of man's first landing on the moon is being celebrated at the White House.

U.S. President Barack Obama met with representatives of the Apollo 11 mission in the Oval Office Tuesday morning. Apollo 11 landed on the lunar surface on July 20, 1969. Astronaut Neil Armstrong, the first human to walk on the moon, died two years ago.

Armstrong's fellow crew members, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins, were among those who met with Obama, along with Armstrong's widow, Carol. NASA administrator Charles Bolden also participated in the private meeting.

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Paid plasma clinics

Ontario introduces bill to ban paying donors for blood

Ontario's governing Liberals say they plan to join Quebec in banning payments to people for their blood and blood plasma, following the opening of two paid plasma clinics in Toronto.

They introduced legislation Wednesday that also incorporates changes recommended in the wake of a probe into why more than 1,200 cancer patients in Ontario and New Brunswick received diluted chemotherapy drugs.

The proposed measures include giving the Ontario College of Pharmacists the power to inspect and license hospital pharmacies and potentially other locations in the future.

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Nigerian president meets schoolgirls' parents

President Goodluck Jonathan met for the first time Tuesday with parents of 219 kidnapped Nigerian schoolgirls and dozens of classmates who managed to escape from their Islamic extremist captors.

Jonathan assured them of his determination that those still in captivity "are brought out alive," presidential spokesman Reuben Abati told reporters after the meeting. It was "a very successful event," said Abati. Some of the girls described their escapes and Jonathan gave assurances that the education of the girls and their still-captive classmates would not suffer in any way, he said.

The parents emerged from the closed door meeting without showing emotion but some shook hands with the president. The failure of Jonathan's government to rescue the girls has prompted an international campaign and #BringBackOurGirls rallies in Abuja, the capital. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hometown under siege

Attacks, stress kill 11 parents

Since the abduction of the schoolgirls by Islamic extremists, at least 11 of the girls' parents have died and their hometown, Chibok, is under siege from militants, residents report.

Seven fathers were among 51 bodies brought to a Chibok hospital after an attack on a nearby village, said a health worker who insisted on anonymity. At least four more parents have died of illnesses blamed on trauma from the mass abduction, said community leader Pogu Bitrus. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Malaysian investigators look around the crash site of Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 in site with members of the OSCE mission in Ukraine for the first time since the crash

Victims' bodies plane crash site

Malaysia Airlines Flight 17. Bodies will be flown to the Netherlands, where the majority of victims are from, to be identified

A train bearing the dead from the downed Malaysian airliner finally reached Ukrainian government-held territory Tuesday, but the pro-Russian separatists in control of the crash site showed little willingness to allow the full-scale investigation demanded by world leaders.

Five days after the plane was blown out of the sky, refrigerated railcars bearing victims' bodies — gathered up after several days in the sun — rolled out of the war zone and into a weedy rail yard in the city of Kharkiv.

The dead will be flown to the Netherlands, the homeland of most of the victims, for identification. The Dutch government declared a day of national mourning Wednesday, as the country prepared for the arrival of the first bodies in the afternoon.

It was unclear how many of the 282 corpses reported found so far were on the train. The crash killed all 298 people aboard Malaysia Airlines Flight 17.

Jan Tuinder, the Dutch official in charge of the international team dealing with the dead, said that at least 200 bodies were aboard the train and that more remains could be found once the body bags are examined fully.

Rebel leader Andrei Purgin, deputy prime minister of the self-proclaimed Donetsk People's Republic, was quoted by Russia's Interfax news agency as saying the insurgents are willing to guarantee the security of all international experts.

International observers, who have been allowed visits only when accompanied by armed separatists, warned there were signs that the debris was being mishandled.

After a 17-hour journey from the town of Torez in rebel territory, the train carrying the dead arrived at a Kharkiv factory where Ukrainian authorities have set up their crash investigation centre.

Separately, the flight data recorders will be examined by British air accident investigators. At the crash zone, Malaysia Airlines officials walked the site wearing backpacks, photographing the scattered debris.

Meanwhile, fighting continued in east Ukraine. Russian President Vladimir Putin lashed out at Ukraine's military for trying to dislodge the rebels. Ukraine and Western governments claim the plane was shot down with a missile that was fired from a Russian-made mobile launcher in rebel hands. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

the village of Rozsypne, eastern Ukraine, on Tuesday. The investigators visited the last week. VADIM GHIRDA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

removed from in east Ukraine

Conspiracy theories

Russian media speculation paints Ukraine as crash culprit

An assassination attempt against Russian President Vladimir Putin; a desperate ploy to draw the West into the battle for Ukraine's east; a botched mission to commit mass murder against Russian citizens: Russian news consumers are getting plenty of explanations for the downing of Malaysia Airlines Flight 17, which killed 298 people.

While they vary wildly in content, all point the finger at Ukraine. None admits the possibility that Russia may bear responsibility.

The story of the airline tragedy that is unfolding for Russians differs starkly from the one that people are following in the West. As U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry told American TV viewers that rebels shot down the plane with Russian weaponry, Russians were being fed a diet of scenarios about forces in Ukraine conspiring to commit an atrocity in the skies.

Yekaterina Andreyeva, one of Russia's most famous TV anchors, delved into one theory hours after news of the crash broke: Putin, travelling home from Brazil, passed along the same flight path as the Malaysian passenger jet less than one hour before it was hit, suggesting an assassination attempt.

By Friday morning, the assassination theory was replaced by other scenarios.

One focused on the Buk missile launcher that Ukraine says brought down the plane. State-owned Rossiya TV pinned blame on Kyiv by saying the rebels did not own one, while Ukraine recently deployed a Buk launcher to the area.

Rossiya further said that the red, white and blue of the Malaysia Airlines logo "resembles the Russian tricolour" — hinting at a Ukrainian attempt to blow up a Russian passenger jet.

Russian media have suggested that Ukrainian authorities orchestrated the downing to make it look like a rebel attack.

Nationalist politicians are also heating up the tone in Russian media, and fuelling conspiracy theories.

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Sanctions extended

Ukraine crisis affects the euro

The euro fell Tuesday to its lowest level against the dollar this year amid concerns that the downing of Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 will prompt a bigger freeze in relations between the European Union and Russia.

The crash of the jetliner has fueled concerns of a downward spiral in political and economic ties between the EU and Russia. EU foreign ministers at a meeting agreed to extend the current list of sanctions on Russian individuals and said they may yet penalize economic ties.

Western powers have said there is evidence that the jet was hit with a missile fired from territory controlled by pro-Russia insurgents. Moscow has suggested the missile was fired by Ukrainian government forces.

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Deal worth 1.1B euros

France refuses to scrap sale of warship to Russia

France says it will go ahead with the sale of a warship to Russia despite calls for an arms embargo against the country, highlighting how Europe's strong business ties are hindering its ability to punish Moscow over the crisis in Ukraine.

On Monday night, French President Francois Hollande warned about the costs of cancelling the deal. "The Russians have paid. We would have to reimburse 1.1 billion euros ($1.5 billion)," he said.

Ukrainian foreign minister Pavlo Klimkin criticized the sale as violating the EU's code of conduct, which forbids EU nations from exporting arms if they "would provoke or prolong armed conflicts or aggravate existing tensions." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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UN chief hopes emergency appeal will end Israel-Palestine fighting

'Hope and belief.'
Ban Ki-moon says a ceasefire is possible, despite obstacles

The UN secretary-general said Tuesday it is his "hope and belief" that his emergency mission to the Middle East will lead to an end to the fighting between Hamas and Israel "in the very near future."

Ban Ki-moon told the Security Council by videoconference from the West Bank city of Ramallah that he could not publicly reveal details "at this highly sensitive moment." As he started to address the council, a siren could be heard in the background.

The UN chief has also visited Qatar, Kuwait, Cairo and Jerusalem and said he will go on to Jordan and Saudi Arabia on what he called a mission "of solidarity and peace" to quickly end an escalating two-week war between Israelis and Hamas militants who control the Gaza Strip.

Their third conflict in just over five years has already claimed the lives of at least 609 Palestinians, according to the Gaza Health Ministry, the vast majority civilians. Twenty-nine Israelis have been killed — 27 soldiers and two civilians.

In the past three days, Ban has met with the head of the Arab League and Arab, Palestinian and Israeli leaders, as well as U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry and Norway's foreign minister. He also spoke to French President Francois Hollande.

He cautioned, however, that "of course, there are many obstacles and complexities."

Ban said "the most promising prospect of a ceasefire" is an Egyptian initiative to return to the cessation of fighting in November 2012 that has been endorsed by Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and the Arab League — but not Hamas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A relative mourns over the coffin of an Israeli soldier on Tuesday. TSAFRIR ABAYAOV/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

State of the conflict

- **Casualties.** At least 29 Israelis have been killed, of whom 27 were soldiers and two were civilians. At least 609 Palestinians have been killed, according to the Gaza Health Ministry. More than three-quarters are civilians, including at least 152 children.
- **The fate** of an Israeli soldier who went missing in Gaza remains unknown.

A Palestinian family watches rescuers searching for bodies and survivors under the rubble of homes destroyed by an Israeli missile strike in Gaza City on Monday. KHALIL HAMRA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

John Baird on UN

Rockets turnover 'appalling'

Foreign Minister John Baird says he's "appalled" by a report that a UN agency turned over a stockpile of rockets found in a school building in Gaza to Hamas.

The UN Relief and Works Agency said Tuesday it had found rockets in a vacant school it runs in the Gaza Strip, and that it was pursuing measures to remove the weapons while starting an investigation.

Last week, the agency found another stockpile of rockets in a Gaza school it operates — and a report from Israel indicated it had turned over the weapons to "local authorities," suggesting they had been returned to Hamas.

Baird demanded the UN launch an "immediate independent investigation" to look into the incidents.

The minister also called on the UN not to return the rockets in the second case to Hamas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Documents detail Duffy expense claims

Keeping tabs. New court files allege Duffy used taxpayers' money to hire the services of a personal trainer and make-up artist

The RCMP alleges that Sen. Mike Duffy charged taxpayers for a personal trainer, a make-up artist and for the cost of personal travel to funerals and other ceremonies.

New court documents provide fresh details following the 31 charges laid against Duffy by the RCMP last week, alleging five "inappropriate expense claims associated with personal attendance at funeral and related ceremonies."

According to the documents, the claims were filed from June 2009 to September 2012 and contain "false or misleading information."

Duffy, a longtime CTV journalist until the Tories appointed him to the Senate in 2008, is also accused of fraudulently awarding a $65,000 contract to his longtime friend, Gerald Donohue.

That money was allegedly used to facilitate payments to three other people, including an Ottawa personal trainer and a self-employed makeup artist, according to the court filing.

The charges stem from the disgraced senator's housing and travel expenses, and a $90,000 payment from Nigel Wright, the former chief of staff to Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

The expense scandal has dogged the Harper government for more than a year. The next federal election is expected to be held in the fall of 2015, though Harper could call a spring vote.

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Mike Duffy ANDREW COLLINS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Traffickers deported.
Joint bust sends human smugglers back home

Twenty members of a Hungarian human trafficking ring that brought people from eastern Europe with promises of a better life in Canada have been deported, Public Safety Minister Steven Blaney said Tuesday.

He said the victims were forced to work illegally, live in deplorable conditions without adequate food, and were intimidated or attacked repeatedly.

"The removal of these foreign criminals convicted of human trafficking demonstrates how our government is keeping Canadians safe," Blaney said during a news conference.

Blaney said 22 members of the Domotor-Kolompar ring have been convicted of human trafficking charges under the Criminal Code of Canada, and all but two have been deported to Hungary.

"Our government will continue to take strong action to address human trafficking in all its forms," he said.

The Canada Border Services Agency, the RCMP Hamilton-Niagara Detachment and local police were all involved in the years-long investigation dubbed Project OPAPA.

The workers toiled away without pay at construction sites owned by the traffickers and were constantly monitored, police said.

The deportations come two years after the government toughened measures to prevent human trafficking and prosecute perpetrators.

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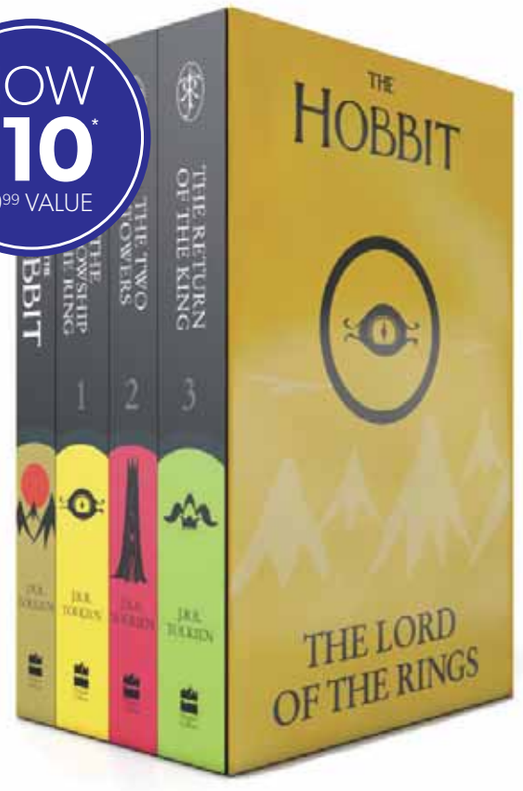

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DNA. New research helps scientists better understand schizophrenia

Little is known about the causes of schizophrenia, but an international consortium of researchers has made a significant discovery about its genetic underpinnings that should improve understanding of the mental illness.

Scientists from around the world, including Canada, have identified more than 100 locations in the human genome associated with the risk of developing schizophrenia, a brain disorder characterized by hallucinations, delusions and disordered thinking.

The research, published Tuesday in the journal Nature, pinpoints 83 newly discovered locations of genetic variations in the DNA of people with schizophrenia, bringing the number known to 108.

"It gives us a whole new avenue for research," said Jo Knight, a senior scientist at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health in Toronto, who was part of the research group. "It's like being handed a huge haystack in which we know there are a whole bunch of needles," she said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Russian relations

Britain plans inquiry into former spy's death

The British government announced plans Tuesday for a wide-ranging public inquiry into the mysterious 2006 death of poisoned former Russian agent Alexander Litvinenko.

The decision, which comes at a time of rising tensions with Russia, is a breakthrough in the much-delayed probe because it means investigators can look into whether the Russian state was involved in Litvinenko's death. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

'We do not surrender to hatred and violence'

Norway. Those killed in two 2011 mass terrorist attacks were honoured Tuesday

Norwegian Prime Minister Erna Solberg, in black, takes part in a wreath-laying ceremony Tuesday on Utoya Island, Norway, to commemorate the victims of a 2011 shooting spree that followed a bombing. Solberg is joined by, from left: leader of the Labour Party Jonas Gahr Stoere; leader of a national support group for relatives of the victims, Trond Henry Blattmann; and leader of Labour Youth of Norway (AUF) Eskil Pedersen. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/HEIKO JUNGE/NTB CANPIX

Norwegian Prime Minister Erna Solberg said Tuesday the best way to honour the 77 people who died in terror attacks in her country three years ago is to "fight for openness, tolerance and diversity."

In a wreath-laying ceremony at the government headquarters, Solberg said "violent extremism can never be excused."

Far-right fanatic Anders Behring Breivik has confessed to the July 22, 2011, attacks in which he killed eight people in a bombing attack against the government headquarters and 69 others in a shooting spree at the left-wing Labour Party's youth camp on Utoya island.

In 2012, Breivik received a 21-year prison sentence that can be extended for as long as he's considered dangerous to society. Legal experts say that likely means he will be locked up for life.

Later in the day, Solberg, Labor Party head Jonas Gahr Stoere and members of the party's youth movement attended a second commemoration on Utoya, which sits in a lake 40 kilometres from Oslo.

"We can show this community's strength. We do not surrender to hatred and violence. We can show that there is another strength that is infinitely more powerful: compassion and solidarity," Stoere said before wreaths were put on the island's quay. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Equality. Tech companies aim to bridge gender gap

Tech companies — whether they be established firms with thousands of employees or five-person startups only months in the making — have long been criticized for their lack of female employees, especially in management and engineering roles.

In the last few years, however, the industry has taken note of the gender disparity and it is slowly changing.

"It's a problem. It's a real problem," said Sandra Wear, an entrepreneur and CEO with the national organization, Canadian Women in Technology.

Wear, the founder of two tech startups, said the lack of gender diversity hurts the whole industry, especially one that should rely on diversity for innovation.

Lisa Boulanger, the Canadian head of the Woman(at) Google group at the tech giant, said improving gender diversity has become a mission for the company that has focused on three areas for improvement: networking, development and recruiting. One of initiatives to come out of the employee-run group is to ensure that there is at least one woman on every job interview panel.

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Disparity

Recently, Silicon Valley giant Google Inc. publicly disclosed that less than a third of its global workforce of about 50,000 employees were women. Those statistics were nearly mirrored at Yahoo Inc., which revealed that women made up only 38 per cent of its employees.

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"(Women) do not have a seat at the table whether we're solving problems, developing products or defining policies for the markets."

Sandra Wear, CEO with the national organization, Canadian Women in Technology.

Husi Food Co. Expired meat scandal spreads to Burger King, Starbucks in China

A reported meat scandal in China engulfed Starbucks and Burger King on Tuesday and spread to Japan, where McDonald's said the Chinese supplier accused of selling expired beef and chicken had provided 20 per cent of the meat for its chicken nuggets.

Chinese authorities expanded their investigation of the meat supplier, Shanghai company Husi Food Co. A day after Husi's food processing plant in Shanghai was sealed by the China Food and Drug Administration, the agency said Tuesday that inspectors also will look at its facilities and meat sources in five provinces in central, eastern and southern China.

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Children wearing masks walk and ride home after school in Beijing earlier this year. Air pollution kills about seven million people worldwide every year, says a report from the World Health Organization published in March. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Liquefied natural gas: The answer?

British Columbia. Christy Clark claims LNG industry will help clean up the Earth, as well as B.C.'s debt

British Columbia's Premier, Christy Clark, says B.C.'s proposed liquefied natural gas (LNG) industry has the power to fight air pollution in China and clear up smog in Los Angeles.

The premier's natural gas development minister also boasted to delegates at the same conference on Monday that the LNG industry will clean up the provincial debt.

Clark told the Pacific Northwest Economic Region gathering, where business and government leaders from provinces, territories and U.S. states gathered to address policy issues, that LNG will fight harmful greenhouse gas emissions worldwide, but it may also increase those same emissions in B.C.

"This is our biggest opportunity we've ever had to reduce greenhouse gas emissions worldwide," Clark told a crowd in Whistler, B.C. "Studies have shown cleaner air in China means cleaner air here. Cleaner air in China means fewer smog days in Los Angeles."

She said China plans to reduce its energy dependency on coal and is looking to increase its use of natural gas by four per cent — equivalent to all the greenhouse gas emissions in B.C. for a period of 18 months.

The premier said the Liberal government is banking on at least three LNG export plants operating in B.C. by 2020. The major export markets for B.C. LNG are China, South Korea and Japan.

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"The environment knows no borders. This is one world and we all share the air in it."

British Columbia's Premier Christy Clark

Go ahead, click on that

Netflix working on 'privacy mode'

On-demand video services like Netflix have become so prominent and so simple to use that it's easy to forget everyone in the household can, potentially, see what you've been watching.

If you've got nothing to hide, you have the patience of a saint and your cinematic and televisual taste would put the late great Roger Ebert to shame, then this openness isn't a problem. But don't forget — if connected, your Facebook page will also tell everyone you know what you're watching on Netflix.

Cliff Edwards, Netflix's new director of corporate communications and technology, told Gigaom Media: "We are testing a feature in which a user watching a movie or TV show can choose to view in 'Privacy Mode.' Choosing that option means the program will not appear in your viewing activity log, nor will it be used to determine recommendations about what you should watch in the future." AFP

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Jaws is back.

But, instead of mass hysteria, the great white shark is now spawning retail frenzy along the banks of old Cape Cod.

Shark sightings have increased in recent years along with the increase in shark bait: big, tasty (if you're a shark) grey seals.

But instead of freaking out, people are flocking to the area to spot a shark and attack the racks, where they can buy great-white inspired T-shirts, hoodies, hats and cute little stuffed sharks.

People love sharks, and they love great whites most of all.

The 1975 movie, Steven Spielberg's first blockbuster, has earned about $2 billion US, adjusted for inflation, and its ominous duuun-dun, duuun-dun music continues to resonate up and down our spines.

The success of Jaws led to a sequel and perhaps the greatest movie tagline in history: "Just when you thought it was safe to go back in the water."

It also led to the summer blockbuster: the bloated multimillion-dollar overabundance of special effects and bad acting that has spawned a creature even scarier than a shark. His name is Michael Bay. He directed the Transformer movies.

Just when you thought it was safe to go back in the theatre.

Hysteria aside, there have been 106 unprovoked great white shark attacks in U.S. waters, 13 of them fatal, since 1916.

You're as likely to be attacked by a grey seal.

Still, unlike the pleasingly plump and (usually) indolent seal, the great white has a powerful grip on our imaginations — as you might expect from a creature that can grow up to seven metres long, swim 65 kilometres per hour and bite with the force of 4,000 pounds, whatever that means.

Shark scientists believe most great white attacks on people are of the experimental variety, or test bites.

"It kind of looks like a seal, so I'll just give 'er a nibble."

There is learned speculation that great whites don't even like the taste of humans, which is probably cold consolation for those swimmers down one leg on account of a test bite.

I can testify that when someone on a paddle board comes screaming by, shouting, "Shark! Shark in the water!" you don't spend any time wondering about the myth versus the hype. You just get the hell out of the water as fast as you can.

Four-thousand pounds of force, indeed,

One good thing about all this great white shark worship: There could be as few as 3,500 great whites left in all the world's oceans after decades of over-fishing, mostly for shark fin soup.

Although it's probably too little too late, a little respect from its foremost predator is exactly what the great white shark needs.

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Myth vs. hype

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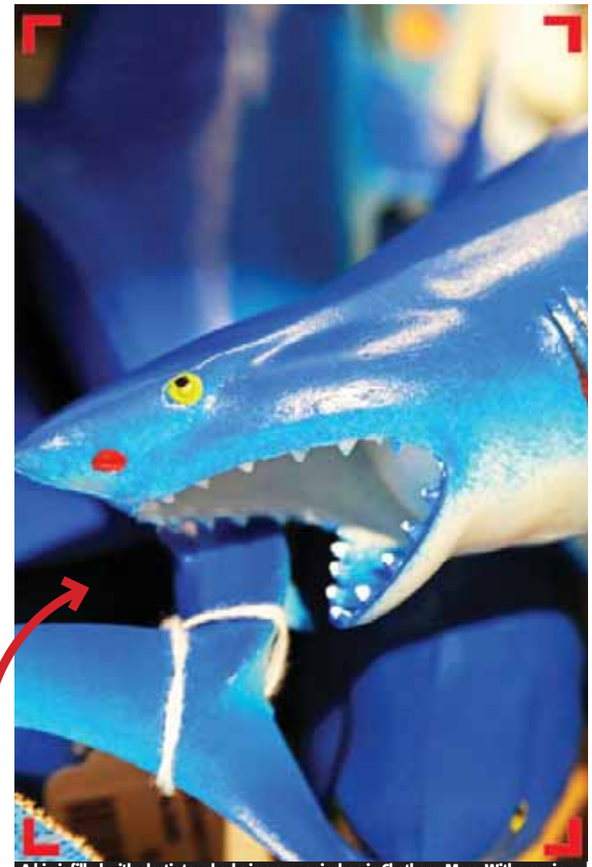

A bin is filled with plastic toy sharks in a souvenir shop in Chatham, Mass. With growing sightings of great white sharks off Cape Cod, local entrepreneurs are feeding the frenzy with their shark-themed memorabilia. STEVEN SENNE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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→ Still scared? Scan the photo with your Metro News app to see the opening of the 1975 movie Jaws and find out whether Chrissie's last swim still gives you chills. Steven Spielberg's first blockbuster led to a sequel with the eeriest of taglines: "Just when you thought it was safe to go back in the water."

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Kayakers having a whale of a time

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Listen ... "whales are huge" is an absurdly obvious thing to say. The word "whale" itself is a synonym for things that are particularly gargantuan.

Heck, the blue whale is the largest animal to ever call our planet home. The evidence is in. It's settled. Whales are huge.

But then you see something like this jowl-jellying encounter between some Argentine kayakers and a few visiting whales, and what's left to say about an animal that resembles a small island emerging from an undersea eruption? (Gisela6652/YouTube)

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Woman enough to kick butt as all-out action stars

Violent femmes. From wild pussycat Varla to Foxy Brown and now Lucy, fierce females tear up the big screen

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Scarlett Johansson in Lucy. CONTRIBUTED

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→ How powerful is the mind? Lucy's trailer takes a look at what would happen if you actually used 100 per cent of your brain. Scan this photo with your Metro News app to see it!

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Pam Grier walks into a bar. Sounds like the beginning of a joke, but it's actually the setup for one of the great fight scenes of the 1970s.

Grier played the title character in 1974's Foxy Brown, a woman who poses as a high-end escort to get revenge on the gangsters who killed her G-Man boyfriend. When her undercover work brings her to a seedy bar, she confronts Bobbie, a tough-talking patron (played by Jeannie Epper who was also Lynda Carter's stunt double on Wonder Woman).

"Listen, skinny," says Bobbie, "before you start talking tough, I better warn you. I got a black belt in karate. So why don't you get out of here quietly, while you still have some teeth left in that ugly face?"

Before you can say, "You go, girl," Foxy clobbers Bobbie with a wooden stool, slamming her in the face then shattering it across her back.

"And I got my black belt in bar stools!" says Foxy.

Grier could deliver a line and a punch, attributes that allowed her to cut a swathe in the male-dominated action movie market of the 1970s.

This weekend Scarlett Johansson adds to Grier's kick-butt legacy on the big screen with Lucy, an all-out actioner about a woman who becomes a superhuman when a drug allows her to use 100 per cent of her brain capacity. "I'm able to do things I've never done before," she says. "I feel everything and can control the elements around me."

Johansson joins a list of dangerous distaff action stars like Michelle Yeoh (Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon), Jenette Goldstein (Aliens), Angelina Jolie (Wanted, Salt, Mr. & Mrs. Smith, Lara Croft: Tomb Raider) and Uma Thurman (Kill Bill, Parts 1 & 2) who have given Schwarzenegger and Stallone a run for their money.

Perhaps the wildest female action movie of all time is 1965's "ode to female violence," Faster, Pussycat! Kill! Kill! starring Tura Satana as the thrill-seeking go-go dancer Varla.

Experienced in martial arts, Satana did her own stunts and brought her unique style — black leather gloves, Germaine Monteil eyeliner and layers of Max Factor pancake makeup — to the film.

She even supplied some of the movie's most memorable lines.

When a gas station attendant ogles her cleavage while extolling the virtues of being on the open road and seeing America, Satana ad libbed, "You won't find it down there, Columbus!"

Time critic Richard Corliss called Satana's performance "the most honest, maybe the one honest portrayal in the [director Russ] Meyer canon and certainly the scariest."

"I took a lot of my anger that had been stored inside of me for many years and let it loose," Satana said of her most famous role.

"I helped to create the character Varla and helped to make her someone that many women would love to be like."

Pam Grier in Foxy Brown. CONTRIBUTED

Second season coming

Fargo gets new cast, new crime

FX is taking another trip to Fargo, where the cast is changing but some of the characters are not. The network announced Monday that it has renewed the series for a second season with new actors, time period and crime. The earliest the series will air is fall 2015.

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Musician guest stars

Sons of Anarchy cast Love, Manson

Courtney Love and Marilyn Manson have roles on the upcoming final season of Sons of Anarchy. The musicians join such previous guest stars as Stephen King and David Hasselhoff as unusual casting choices in the motorcycle club drama on FX.

"We try to have some things that are fun," said creator and executive producer Kurt Sutter.

Love plays a teacher, and Sutter, a self-professed "huge" Nirvana fan, said, "I thought, who better than Courtney Love?"

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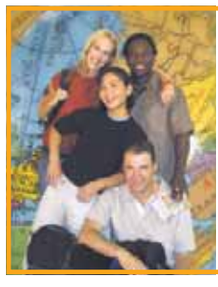
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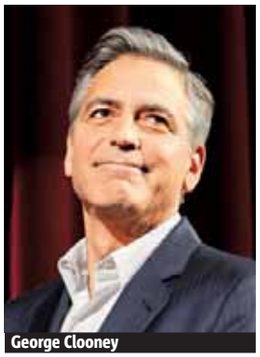
George Clooney

Clooney humble-brags his lucky catch

George Clooney, social climber? The Ocean's 11 star allowed his recent Variety interview to stray ever so briefly onto the topic of his engagement to human rights lawyer Amal Alamuddin, but just long enough to offer a concise summary of the pairing: "I'm marrying up," he tells the publication. Better be careful, Ms. Alamuddin. This Clooney guy might be a bit beneath you.

The Word

My sweet lord! Bark beetles pine for late Beatle's memorial

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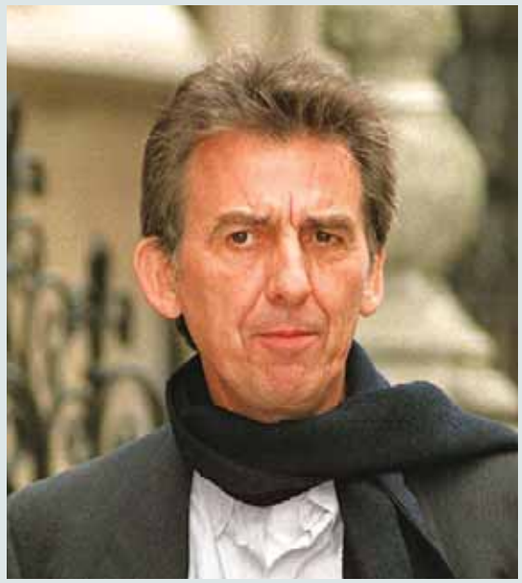
Metro World News in Hollywood

The world has a sick sense of humour sometimes. Case in point: George Harrison's memorial, planted 10 years ago in L.A.'s Griffith Park to honour the late Beatle. The pine, which had grown to 10 feet by last year, has been felled by ... beetles. Los Angeles city councilman Tom LaBonge tells the L.A. Times that the living memorial had fallen victim to "bark beetles and ladybug beetles, among other tree-unfriendly creatures," but at least there are plans to plant a replacement. Let's just hope the hungry insects haven't set their little beetle eyes on Strawberry Fields next.



Zac Efron and Michelle Rodriquez. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Zac's got a tiger on his back the morning after his night with Michelle

Zac Efron and Michelle Rodriguez's summer fling seems to be going strong, as the Neighbors star was spotted leaving the Fast and the Furious actress's home on a recent morning, overnight bag in hand, according to E! News. The pair were reportedly living it up the night before at the Chateau Marmont with some pals, including Robert Pattinson. But Efron's overnight bag wasn't his only interesting accessory during his walk of shame. He also carried a skateboard and donned a jacket with a ferocious tiger on the back. Quite the look, Efron.

Emma Stone and Colin Firth,

Emma Stone puts friendship with Colin Firth to the text

It turns out being pals with Emma Stone can get kind of annoying, especially if you're a film star. Her Magic in the Moonlight co-star Colin Firth says his mobile was blowing up while Stone watched his 2004 film Bridget Jones: the Edge of Reason because the actress decided to live-text the plot to him. "She's talking through my back catalog via text," Firth tells the Daily Beast of the experience. "I might decide to not revisit stuff in the past, and then you get a good friend saying, 'Oh, when you were doing this you had this and that expression on your face.'" Stone, for her part, totally cops to the text barrage, but seems to have no remorse. "You were very upset with me, if I remember correctly," she tells Firth.

Downey brings in the biggest bucks

Leading the Avengers is clearly good for your balance sheet, as Iron Man star Robert Downey Jr. has topped Forbes magazine's list of Hollywood's highest-earning actors for the second year running, taking home an estimated $75 million between June 2013 and June 2014. Not too shabby. Dwayne "the Rock" Johnson comes in second with $52 million, and Bradley Cooper — joining Downey's Marvel universe next month in Guardians of the Galaxy, takes third with $46 million. Leonardo DiCaprio ($39 million) and Thor star Chris Hemsworth ($37 million) round out the top five.

Robert Downey Jr.

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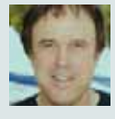

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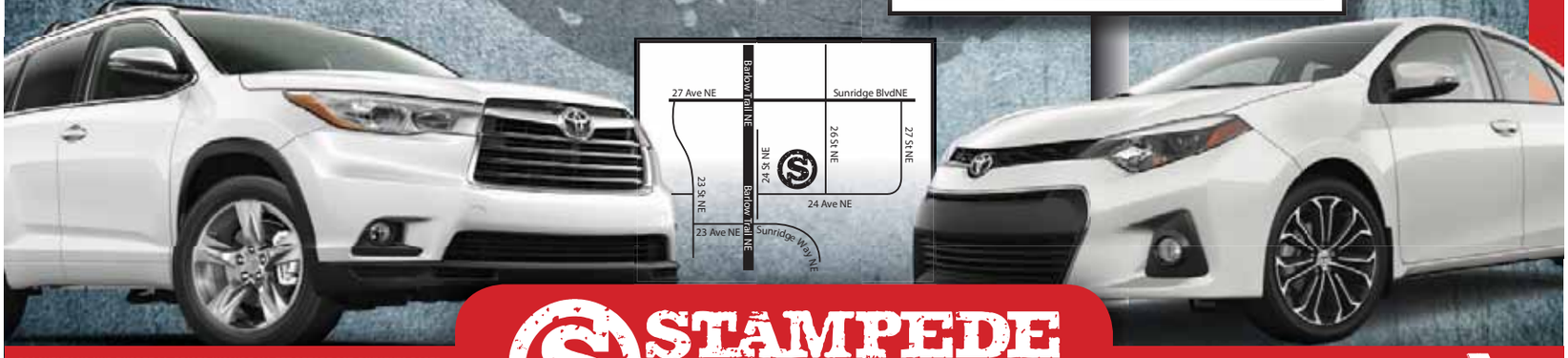

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Come play with the Little Prince

New theme park. A park in the east of France celebrates life's small pleasures couched in the theme of a beloved character

Tucked into a corner of eastern France where overseas tourists rarely venture, the Park of the Little Prince takes its name from one of French literature's most beloved characters — and takes its cues from a simpler time when roller coasters didn't set out to terrify, living room televisions didn't have multi-player 3D video games and theme parks were scaled for the small.

The park, which opened July 1, is perfect for visitors looking for a way to entertain small children who might have had their fill of road-tripping through the French, German or Swiss countryside.

It's located in Ungersheim, in the heart of the Alsace region, about 50 kilometres (30 miles) from Basel, Switzerland, and about 15 kilometres (10 miles) from the German border.

There are 31 attractions based loosely on the theme of flight.

The Little Prince is a space explorer and author Antoine de Saint-Exupery was a well-known pilot. He got his pilot's license in Strasbourg, the regional capital of Alsace.

Attractions include two tethered passenger balloons, a film about deep-sea mysteries watched from the perspective of a water scooter, and visits with real fox cubs or a flock of sheep with their sheepdog.

Despite the smattering of high-tech, the park — like the book, which was published in 1943 — is more about slowing down and taking stock of the small things that delight. And remember, as the Little Prince said, "children should always show great forbearance toward grown-up people."

Try telling that to your excited kids as you walk through an amusement park's gates.

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An aerial view of the Park of the Little Prince. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Unlike other parks, this one is all about slowing down. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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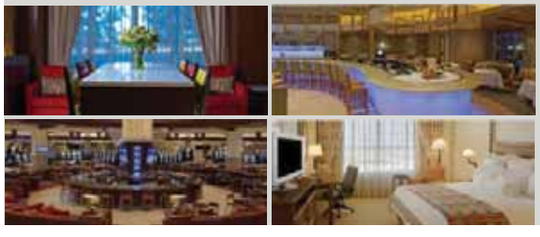

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Tourists hike on the Athabasca Glacier at the Columbia Icefield in Jasper National Park.

Hiking the Athabasca Glacier

A guide holds the photographer's son Keifer over a 'kettle hole' at the Athabasca Glacier in Jasper National Park, Alta.

Mountain ranges seen from a helicopter tour near the Columbia Icefield in Jasper National Park, Alta. TODD KOROL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE PHOTOS

Choose an adventure.
Exploring the Columbia Icefield is a blood-pumping, stomach-churning experience

TODD KOROL
For Metro

From Highway 93, running through Jasper National Park, the Athabasca Glacier looks daunting to climb. The glacier sits in a bowl surrounded by cloud-shrouded mountain peaks. My son, Keifer, and I have come to hike the glacier with our guide, Corin Lohmann, four Kiwis and a dog.

My blood starts pumping rapidly after the first vertical steps and soon we find ourselves among rugged rocks, walking past small Arctic flowers and streams of very cold water running at the base of the ice.

Everything is dwarfed by the scale of the glacier and the short, 60-day growing season. Trees that are 150 years old seem like matchsticks lining the tops of ridges.

When I hit the ice, I slip the ice cleats on the bottoms of my hiking boots. "We don't want anyone falling into an ice hole," Lohmann tells us. Indeed, hikers have fallen into ice holes and have had to be rescued by Parks Canada. "That's a good thing about your park pass; it includes getting rescued in the National Park," he grins.

As the ice crunches underneath our feet, we make our way up the glacier as large-wheeled, red buses full of tourists pass.

There are three ways to discover the glacier: You can hike it on your own. (Not recommended unless you really know what you are doing.) You can take a tour bus from the ice fields centre. (Hop on, ride up and hop off on the ice.) Or you can go on one of the Ice Walks tours, which my group quickly agrees is the best option.

Our first stop is at a simple metal pole sticking up through the ice. The pole is used to measure how much the glacier is melting in a year. With the top of the pole just 30 centimetres above the ice, no one pays it much attention. As the group chats, Lohmann walks over and grabs a pole lying on the ice. He hoists it up in the air, towering almost five metres above him. "This is how much the ice melted last year," he states.

The group suddenly falls quiet. Our next stop is an ice plug. The plug is covered in snow and occurs over a melting ice hole. Some here can be more than 30 metres deep. "You don't want to take a ride down one of these," Lohmann says. He hangs onto the arm of each person in the group so they can peer down the blue and black abyss. When Keifer's turn comes up, his face lights up with the sense of adventure a 17-year-old has. My stomach quickly gets tight.

"That was so cool!" says Keifer as we hike back.

In the distance, on the way down, we see a dwarfed hiker walk along the top of a mountain peak. "It really puts you in your place," one of our New Zealand friends remarks.

We stop to fill our water bottles with fresh, clear glacier water. "This is probably pre-Industrial Revolution water," says Lohmann.

As we listen to the ice crunching below our feet, and look at the ice hanging over the rugged ridge lines, Keifer and I take sips of our water.

"This water tastes amazing," he smiles.

"Yes," I say. "And that was so much better than taking the bus up the glacier."

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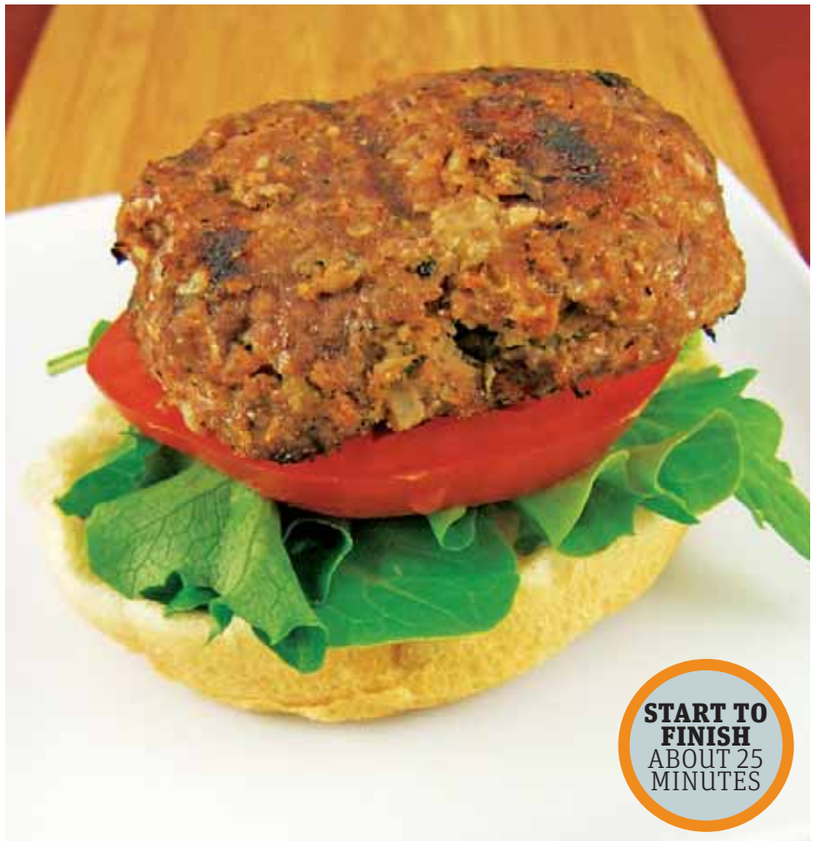

This recipe makes five servings. EMILY RICHARDS

Open-Faced Horseradish Burger. The spicy condiment pairs so well with beef that this dish is sure to become a summer staple

DINNER EXPRESS
Emily Richards
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Beef and horseradish are a perfect combination, making this burger a hit with meat lovers. For a spicier horseradish flavour, simply smother the top with some more horseradish.

1. In large bowl, stir onion, garlic, horseradish, steak sauce, mustard, Worcestershire, oregano and pepper. Add bran and wheat germ, stir to coat. Let stand 5 minutes. Using slightly damp hands, mix in beef until mixture is well combined.

2. Form meat mixture into 5 patties about 1/2-inch (1 cm) thick. Place on greased grill or in non-stick skillet for about 12 minutes, turning once or until no longer pink inside. Place patties on each half of buns. Top with lettuce and tomato slices.

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- 1 small onion, grated
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- 2 tsp (10 ml) dried oregano
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tbsp (25 ml) each natural bran and wheat germ
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Distraction at the desk

The issue with interruptions at the office

A new study confirms what many office workers have long suspected: multitasking doesn't work. A paper in the journal Human Factors notes that the average office worker is interrupted six times every hour and that these interruptions deeply impact the quality of work produced.

"People don't realize how disruptive interruptions can be," said Cyrus Foroughi, one of the co-authors of the study told Science Daily. "There is value in determining whether interruptions affect the quality of the tasks that many people perform regularly." Foroughi and his fellow researchers asked two different groups of participants to write an essay for them. While each group was given enough time to write and outline their compositions on the assigned topic, one group was repeatedly interrupted while participants attempted to write their essays.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Full steam ahead. Be more productive at work with these tips

DAN SCHAWBEL
Metro World News

Companies are putting more pressure on employees now than ever before and pushing them to do more with fewer resources in the same amount of time. Furthermore, there's an expectation that you're always answering work emails, regardless of the day of the week or if you're on vacation.

Here are some tips for keeping up productivity at work while keeping these tough times in mind:

Start with a list of tasks that can be completed quickly
This way, you can get the smaller stuff out of the way and give more of your attention and effort to the bigger projects. By doing this, you won't have to worry about those smaller tasks that could end up getting in the way of the ones that really matter. Let's say you have a list of 20 tasks that you have to get to in a given day. If you can eliminate five quickly, it won't seem as bad, and it's very motivating to accomplish several items in a short period of time. It's intimidating having so many tasks sometimes and it puts a lot of stress on you if you do have that many, so eliminate the easy ones first.

Try not to multi-task if you can help it
I fall into this trap all of the time, and most Millennials do too. We try and do multiple projects at once and end up not getting anything done. Research shows that multitasking decreases productivity. If you give each individual task the attention it deserves, you'll be more effective.

Use a calendar to keep track of everything
I use my iPhone calendar to run my life. If there's someone I know I should call in two months, I'll mark it down to send them an email then. If I have a speaking engagement or a potential client I have to follow up with, I'll mark it down. This makes life much easier, and you end up not forgetting anything so you're more effective. Another trick I do is to set two reminders for every event. One occurs a day before and the other happens 15 minutes before. This way, I never miss anything.

Get 'er done

"It's intimidating having so many tasks sometimes and it puts a lot of stress on you if you do have that many, so eliminate the easy ones first."

Dan Schawbel, Career and Workplace Expert

A new study by CareerBuilder found that the biggest distractions that workers have are their cellphones (50 per cent), gossip (42 per cent) and the Internet (39 per cent). ISTOCK

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Avoiding a face-to-face faux pas

Success in the sit-down. Ace any interview by burying a few common blunders

LAUREN MARINIGH
Metro World News

In a competitive job market, it can be pretty hard to land an interview.

When you manage to get one, it's important to make the most of the opportunity.

Here are some common mistakes that may be stopping you from interview success, whether that means getting hired or progressing to the next stage of the hiring process.

Abandon these bad habits and your interviews will have a much higher chance of a positive outcome.

Behaving unprofessionally

Regardless of your chosen industry, previous experience or the nature of the position at hand, professional conduct is absolutely vital.

Dress to impress at every interview you attend, even if it's a casual work environment. Overdressing is better than underdressing. Avoid wearing sandals, short skirts, T-shirts, jeans or shorts.

Map out your route in advance, and be sure you have an alternate plan if there are any issues en route. If you're travelling to an unfamiliar area, you may want to test out your route beforehand.

Time how long it will take to get to your interview, and allocate extra time for traffic. Make sure you arrive on time — which means arriving early.

Aim to be at the interview site 15 to 30 minutes ahead of time.

Arriving too early can catch an interviewer off-guard, so be prepared to spend some time at a nearby coffee shop or other venue until it's appropriate for you to show up.

Once you arrive to your interview, turn off your phone. If a phone goes off in the interview, you might as well get up and leave.

Tip: You are under scrutiny from the moment you enter the interview location. Assume a confident, professional bearing in advance of your arrival.

Winging it

You read the job description and decided that you're a perfect fit for the role — but landing the interview doesn't mean anything is for sure.

A lack of preparation will make it harder for you to shine in an interview, particularly if you're unable to answer simple questions about the company's operations.

Remember, an interview is not just about your skills and experience. Capable interviewers will also be looking to assess your personal and professional fit. Make sure to read about the business. Note things like their mission, CEO's name, values, and services.

Have a good understanding of the actual position you are interviewing for. Can you identify the major skills and experience that would make someone an asset for the role?

Don't forget to study your own resumé.

Having a detailed knowledge of the company is just part of the picture — making compelling connections between the role and your own skills is vital for success.

Tip: Research sample interview questions online. Choose several at random. Could you compose a competent answer on the spot?

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Don't be afraid to ask for clarification with questions you're unsure of. The overall goal is to provide relevant answers to each question.
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Oversharing

Some organizations do interviews in a very laid-back fashion, and work hard to make the whole process feel like a casual chat.

- It's important to take your cues from the interviewer, but don't forget the purpose of your meeting. Personal topics aren't relevant, so don't bring them up first.
- Take care to monitor how engaged the interviewer and other participants are. If they're talking at length about great takeout places near the office, be sure to engage and share your enthusiasm — but if you find yourself doing most of the talking, you've probably overstepped.
- Only discuss your past experiences in terms of what they taught you and how they position you for the job at hand. Don't focus on negatives or unproductive periods of your employment history.
- Tip: Be ready for questions about negative workplace experiences or times when you haven't met expectations. Make sure you know how to turn these into positive anecdotes.

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You've got one 'yes' on the table, but what about that role you really want?

Juggling job offers. It's wonderful to be so wanted, but what to do when the employer needs an answer now?

SHIORI MINE
Metro World News

You've finally made it and gotten a solid job offer, but are you celebrating too soon?

While it's a struggle to get noticed by HR and hiring managers for coveted positions, you may encounter a rare situation when you interview for more than one role — ending up with an offer from one employer while you're waiting to hear back from another (which you prefer more).

It may have taken a lot of work get your first "real" offer, but you shouldn't accept simply because it's the only one you've received.

How can you manage this difficult scenario of risk versus reward?

Understand hiring timelines

In an ideal world, you would hear from both employers at the same time.

Since this isn't likely to be the case, anticipate the crisis by asking about deadlines during your interviews.

If you know a decision won't be made for weeks yet, you may need to make a calculated gamble, or accept the initial offer.

Review the offer

Gaining more information may help you simplify a tough decision.

It's easy to get caught up in the excitement of an offer coming your way. Take some time to review the offer itself and ensure you understand how it compares to the job you are hoping to land.

If there's a significant difference in the opportunities, you may need to reflect on your short- and long-term goals before making a decision.

Indicate that you have an offer

By sharing that you have an offer, you're communicating openly with your potential employer and hopefully encouraging them to make a decision before your window of availability closes.

It's important to consider all of the available facts before making this move. Some employers may be skeptical and doubt your honesty, while others may appreciate the disclosure and use it to their advantage.

You may have to rely on your overall impression of how well you fared in the hiring process — and how open your prospective employer is.

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While you're waiting by the phone, consider the possibility that the employer who called you back first might be as wonderful as the one you're hoping to hear from. ISTOCK

Think about it

Does the offer give you at least 75 per cent?

- You can never have it all (at least not right away), so you need to know your priorities.
- Do you value workplace culture and mentorship? Or are you looking for a big challenge and creative freedom? Is it the money or the dream that you need now?
- There are a lot of questions to consider, but if you feel the offer does not satisfy your needs and values, it may be time to walk away.
- Like any job hunter, you need to consider your personality and values when making this decision: Are you a risk taker, or do you lean towards caution?
- Be confident, don't look back and remember you are still young, so there's no such thing as mistakes, only lessons that will drive you forward.

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Blue Jays' shortstop Jose Reyes gets animated with first base coach Tim Leiper after hitting a single on Tuesday night in Toronto. DAVID COOPER/TORSTAR NEWS

Jays' Happ provides steadying influence

MLB. Left-hander comes up with big dominant start in Toronto's bounce-back game vs. Red Sox

On Tuesday

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With the Toronto Blue Jays in need of a strong outing, J.A. Happ was there to provide it.

A day after Drew Hutchison lasted only into the third, Happ threw six shutout innings as the Blue Jays rebounded to beat the Boston Red Sox 7-3 on Tuesday night at Rogers Centre.

Happ (8-5) allowed six hits, struck out four and worked out of trouble to give his teammates a chance to generate some offence. Anthony Gose manufactured one run and Jose Reyes and Dioner Navarro each homered to give him the support he needed.

After Melky Cabrera's liner hit Boston starter Jake Peavy to help score the Blue Jays' (52-49) first run of the game, hitters really got to the right-hander in the sixth. Reyes hit a solo home run to add an insurance run, and Navarro hit a two-run shot to give the bullpen some breathing room.

Peavy allowed five earned runs on eight hits in 6-1/3 innings to lose his ninth game of the season. David Ortiz hit his 23rd home run of the season and third in two games against the Blue Jays and Stephen Drew hit his fourth of the year to drive in two runs in the ninth.

Unlike Monday, when the Red Sox (47-53) crushed Hutchison and long man Brad Mills in a 14-1 blowout, Toronto relievers didn't have to be taxed this time.

Happ managed to keep the Red Sox off the board for six innings, even if he was far from flawless. The left-hander got an inning-ending double play in the third, escaped a bases-loaded jam in the fourth, stranded a runner at third in the fifth and was masterful in getting a double play and then a final strikeout in the sixth.

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Will Ford

Riders sign former Bombers all-star

The Saskatchewan Roughriders added running back Will Ford to their practice roster Tuesday.

The five-foot-11, 195-pound Ford spent the last two seasons with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers. Ford was an East Division all-star in 2013 after rushing for 594 yards and two touchdowns while adding seven catches for 41 yards in 13 regular-season games.

Ford, 27, also registered 45 kickoff returns for 1,047 yards and two TDs and was twice named the league's special-teams player of the week.

Ford was released by the Bombers earlier this season without appearing in a game. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Donald Sterling

Donald Sterling files new lawsuit against wife, NBA over Clippers sale

Los Angeles Clippers owner Donald Sterling has filed a new lawsuit in his attempt to retain the team and derail a potential $2-billion sale.

The lawsuit filed Tuesday in Los Angeles County Superior Court names estranged wife Shelly Sterling, the NBA and commissioner Adam Silver, saying they committed fraud and violated corporate law in their attempt to sell the team to former Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer.

The suit lists many arguments already being heard in a probate court trial on the legality of the Ballmer deal.

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Sam eager for next NFL phase

Rams training camp.
Openly gay lineman just trying to earn roster spot

Rams draft pick Michael Sam addresses the media during a news conference on May 13 in Earth City, Miss. The SEC co-defensive player of the year said he's in the best shape of his life, dropping 13 pounds in the month since the team's last OTA workout. DILIP VISHWANAT/GETTY IMAGES

Now it starts to get intense for Michael Sam and the rest of the St. Louis Rams rookies.

The first openly gay player drafted in the NFL is enthusiastic about the challenge. Twice on Tuesday, he mentioned how enjoyable it was being back on the field and trading wisecracks with teammates.

"I'm so excited to be back with the guys," Sam said. "Football's fun."

Sam hopes there will be less attention about his sexual orientation, but added his focus has to be on making the team. He said he's in the best shape of his life, dropping 13 pounds in the month since the last OTA workout, weighing in at 257 pounds.

"Feeling great," he said. "It's just where I want to be speed-wise, so I can run fast and make plays. I want to be as fast as I can."

He didn't have much to say about his experience at the ESPYS, where he received the Arthur Ashe Courage award. Sam got a hug from the Hall of Famer Jim Brown on his way to the stage, and teared up throughout his speech.

"You know, it was a great award and I had a great time in L.A." Sam said.

"But that's over and I'm focusing on football now."

Just as they did after the draft and during OTAs, teammates didn't seem to care that Sam was gay. Offensive lineman Demetrius Rhaney, taken the pick after the Rams created a stir by selecting Sam, had only compliments.

"He's a football player, he's not a bother," Rhaney said. "He's laid-back, funny, jokes a lot. Pretty good."

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Welcome to the team

"He as well as the other guys in our rookie class are members of this family." St. Louis quarterback Garrett Gilbert

New coach

Dunga returns to humbled Brazil

Brazil is bringing back Dunga to coach the national football team, four years after he was fired from the same job.

Tuesday's hiring comes two weeks after Brazil was eliminated from the World Cup in a humiliating 7-1 loss to Germany in the semifinals.

The 50-year-old Dunga replaces Luiz Felipe Scolari, who resigned last week after Brazil failed to win football's premier event on its home soil.

It could be a difficult road for the former defensive midfielder. Several polls recently released show he is highly unpopular.

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Shakhtar Donetsk. Return to Ukraine 'a deadly risk,' say AWOL soccer players

Douglas Costa of FC Shakhtar Donetsk. GETTY IMAGES FILE

Douglas Costa says he and his fellow players who are refusing to return to Ukrainian champion Shakhtar Donetsk do so because the conflict in the country puts their lives at risk.

Costa and five other South American players refused to leave France last weekend with the rest of the team to return to Donetsk for Shakhtar's first match of the season on Tuesday.

The players "all run a deadly risk if we are in the region," Costa said on his Instagram page. He said all six absentees wanted to train in Switzerland during the conflict, and were not seeking a transfer.

"I like the club, the people, the city, but I'm afraid," he said in comments posted alongside a picture of the Shakhtar badge. "We want to stay at the club, but we must have risk-free working conditions."

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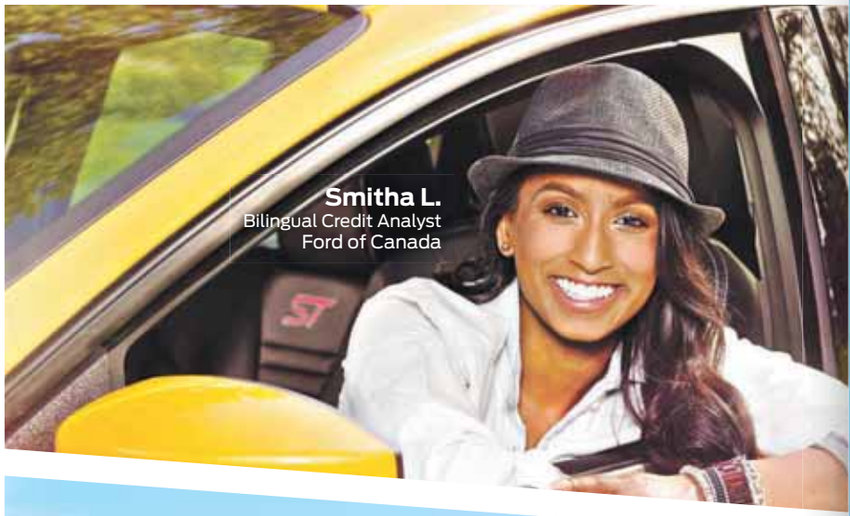

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2014 Chevy Silverado

- **Type.** Two- or four-door, 4x2 or 4x4 full-size pickup
- **Engines (hp).** 4.3-litre V6 (285/305), 5.3-litre V8 (355/383), 6.2-litre V8 (420/460)
- **Transmission.** Six-speed automatic
- **Base price.** $26,540 (plus destination)

Market position

The Chevrolet Silverado comes in three cab configurations (Regular, Double and Crew) and in a range of trim lines to suit various needs and budgets. As with Ford and Ram, heavy-duty models are also available.

Points

- This is the first year for the High Country, a top-line luxury trim model that roughly corresponds to GMC's Sierra Denali.
- A new bumper step and corresponding hand-hold is a simple but effective method of accessing the truck bed.
- Changes include new styling, projector headlamps, more differentiation between the trims, and a new available 6-foot-6 bed on the Crew Cab.

The Silverado has a bumper step to ease access to the truck bed.

Interesting features

An available MyLink infotainment system, high-wear cloth upholstery, forward-collision and lane-departure warning with vibrating seat alert, park assist, and power sunroof.

Chevy gets back in the game

PHOTOS: JIL MCINTOSH

Review. The improved Chevy Silverado and GMC Sierra pickups narrow the gap with their competitors

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There are few auto segments more fiercely fought than the pickup truck market, and few as diverse. Buyers range from those who tow massive campers and horse trailers to those who drive them primarily as big cars.

Because of this, automakers are updating their trucks far more frequently than they did in the past.

General Motors has introduced an all-new Chevrolet Silverado for 2014, along with its mechanically identical GMC Sierra twin. This truck had been lagging behind some of its competitors for a while, but it's now firmly back in the game.

The three available engines are the same size as on the last-generation model — a 4.3-litre V6, a 5.3-litre V8 and a 6.2-litre V8 — but they're entirely new, and they come with fuel-saving technologies.

One of them is cylinder deactivation, which seamlessly shuts the engine down to four cylinders when full power isn't needed. That's becoming relatively common on V8s, but it's rare to see it on a V6, as here.

On the Double Cab, the rear doors are now hinged at the front instead of the back, making it simple to get into the rear seats. On all models, the doors are now flush with the body, rather than extended into the roof, which helps reduce noise. Overall, this is probably the quietest truck cabin on the market, and the redesigned interior is both handsome and functional.

A lower hip point on the seat makes it easier to get into this big truck. The new suspension and electric power steering have been tuned for responsive handling and a smooth ride, and it's a good driver.

It also tows well, although competitive trucks produce more torque than Chevrolet, with engines comparable to the Silverado's 5.3-litre V8.

Chevy hasn't leapfrogged over the competition with this truck, but the considerable improvements warrant serious consideration for those in the market.

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Base price: $19,999
The outgoing 2014 makes way for an all-new, aluminum-bodied 2015 model later this year.

2 Ram 1500
Base price:$26,995
Three engines are available, including the only diesel engine currently found in a light-duty pickup truck.

3 Toyota Tundra
Base price: $26,950
Toyota offers two V8 engines, and has updated its styling and suspension for 2014.

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What test car is Garry bringing us this week? We literally have no clue what he's bringing us until it lands in our driveway, but who are we to doubt Garry Sowerby, who has a bazillion Guinness records for around-the-world driving? That's a bazillion more than we have, after all. Come along and find out as we drive 'em, dirty 'em and shoot 'em with our phone cams. These are real-life, no-glam reviews.

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Looks like a deal at $50,000, but is a Hyundai really worth it?

Special delivery. New Genesis is attractive, very well-equipped, powerful and drives great, despite the relatively low price

The 2015 Hyundai Genesis looks like a luxury car, starting with its long, wide snout. JEFF MELNYCHUK

Bang for the buck

The 2015 Hyundai Genesis will give other luxury brands a run for the money.

- **The Genesis starts at $43,000; our test vehicle was $53,000.**
- **The base model comes with a V6 3.8-litre engine and an eight-speed automatic transmission.**

No stigma here

"Most people I talked to were over the moon with the Genesis' looks, which is, believe it or not, a huge deal at this level. It helps that the car gets its own unique winged logo."

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The sticking point is not whether Hyundai can sell cars costing $50,000 or more. It's whether the car in question is worth $50,000.

The new 2015 Genesis is therefore about perspective.

"Pretty nice, isn't it?" Garry says as he hops out and tosses me the key thing.

Pretty nice, indeed.

The thing that people have to come to grips with is that $50,000 is actually not an abnormally huge amount of money for a well-turned-out full-size (gigantic, in this case) luxury car.

A case in point is the $90,000 Audi A6 diesel we recently tested, which of course is smaller than the Genesis. The Lexus LS starts in the mid-$80,000 range. The Cadillac CTS Vsport (also smaller than the Hyundai) we recently tested was also pushing $80,000. The Acura RLX is closer, at $50,000.

So, a $53,000 Hyundai has to be a deal, right? Well, getting back to the original question, it has to do with whether you feel like you're getting 50-grand worth of car relative to whatever else is out there and the answer is easily yes.

The Genesis 3.8 Technology model I tested has the base 311-horsepower 3.8-litre V6, as well as the HTRAC all-wheel-drive system. The car is spilling over with modern crash-mitigating electronics and boasts a great 14-speaker Lexicon stereo that was set to some hip-hop station Garry likes. Please.

But what makes the Genesis worth the price is that it actually looks and feels like it's worth it — from the ride and drive quality to its side profile, long nose and satin-nickel trim pieces.

The Genesis gets its own stylized wing badge on the hood.

There is a V8 available, but the V6 is plenty powerful.

The luxury sedan is filled with modern electronics and technology, including a great 14-speaker Lexicon stereo system.

And the engine! OK, a V8 is available, but it's just not necessary. The 3.8 is plenty peppy, partially due to the eight-speed automatic transmission, while returning acceptable fuel performance.

With premium brands de-emphasizing engine size and power, it matters less that the 3.8 is shared with the lesser Genesis coupe or the Santa Fe. Honestly, no one should care.

The beauty is that there are actually two Genesis models below this particular model, starting at $43,000. Looks like the large-car deal of the decade, eh?

And if you're worried whether people will think you're a wannabe by driving a Hyundai and not a Mercedes or BMW, that's not really the case. Most people I talked to were over the moon with the Genesis's looks, which is, believe it or not, a huge deal at this level.

It helps that the car gets its own unique winged logo, so you can't really tell who makes it.

Failing that, if a Cadillac driver turns his nose up at you, remind him about the 1981 Cimmaron (Google it).

Hyundai did such a good job on this car that it calls into question the relevance of its more expensive Equus model, which starts at $65,000.

In fact, the company might do better to pay attention to the gap in the lineup between the smaller Sonata and the Genesis, which is more of a chasm, really.

But as far as the Genesis goes, it is "pretty nice." Garry, you are the master of understatement.

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Shift: From hybrids, technology, new vehicles and the environment, to saving money at the pumps

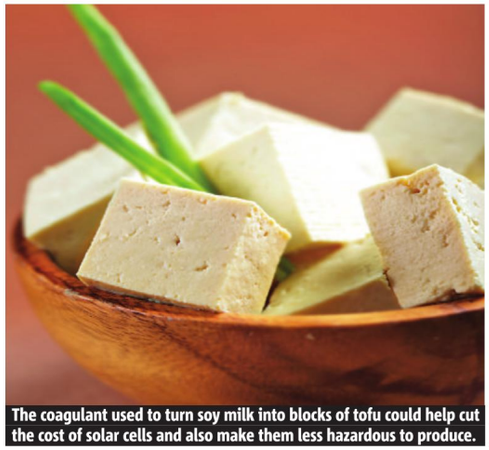
Tesla tops Spark, sort of, on AAA environment-friendly list

What's the best all-round environmentally benign automobile value in the market today? The answer is revealed in the American Automobile Association's 2014 Green Car Guide, and, well: It depends. AAA says the bottom-line best "green" car value is the gasoline-powered Chevrolet Spark 1LT, as determined through a system of 13 evaluations, just two of which – emissions and fuel economy – are specifically environment-related. The other categories include braking, crashworthiness, agility and ride quality, interior noise, acceleration and others. The overall standard bearer of least environmentally destructive cars, however, is deemed to be the Tesla Model S, equipped with the 85-kilowatt battery and costing more than three times as much as the Chevy. TEXT AND PHOTOS BY WHEELBASE MEDIA

Since being environmentally friendly is also about using fewer materials and not just fuel economy, smaller cars such as the Chevy Spark are at a natural advantage over larger, heavier cars.

Tofu might revolutionize solar cells

A naturally occurring ingredient that's used as a coagulant in tofu might also dramatically cut solar-cell costs by replacing a key material that is both toxic and expensive. Workers currently producing or disposing of solar cells must be protected from the effects of cadmium chloride. Magnesium chloride may be a good replacement for the hazardous substance, as it matches cadmium chloride's "conversion efficiency" of light to electricity in a conventional solar cell while being cheaper and safer. Magnesium chloride already has a wide variety of applications, not only as a coagulant in the preparation of tofu, but also as a road de-icer, fertilizer, supplement for animals, and in fire extinguishers.



The coagulant used to turn soy milk into blocks of tofu could help cut the cost of solar cells and also make them less hazardous to produce.

Shift points

- Those national flags that festoon sports fans' vehicles sharply reduce vehicle fuel efficiency, says a study by England's Manchester University. It estimates that, with 500,000 cars flying the colours of England alone during the 2006 World Cup, an extra 1.2 million litres of gasoline were burned, and 13.6 million kilograms of carbon dioxide were produced.
- Chrysler's long-idled Tipton, Ind., plant will become a global hub for the production of fuel-saving nine-speed automatic transmissions. Chrysler CEO Sergio Marchionne says when it reaches full capacity, the plant will ship about 800,000 finished transmissions a year to Ohio, Michigan, Italy, Turkey, Brazil and China.
- Harley-Davidson's first electric motorcycle is touring the United States this year, and will tour Canada and Europe in 2015; not to sell the bikes but to gauge public response to the idea of an electric Hog.

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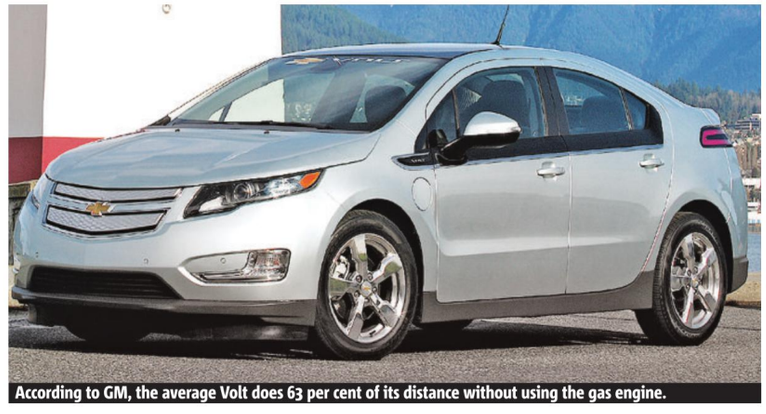
Chevrolet Volt owners recently passed a big collective milestone on the road to an electric-powered future: more than half a billion miles (800 million kilometres) driven solely on battery power. That total is based on the wonders of electronics and satellite tracking, says alternate energy vehicle website Green Car Reports, and comes via owners who let General Motors track their mileage through the OnStar telematics system. The actual total electric miles are likely about 20 per cent higher than that. GM says Volt owners do more than 60 per cent of their driving on electricity alone, and travel an average distance of 1,550 km between fill-ups.



According to GM, the average Volt does 63 per cent of its distance without using the gas engine.

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A Range Rover Evoque parks itself in research testing by French parts maker Valeo. AFP

Self-driving cars are much closer than you think

Robot rovers. Test vehicles can already park by themselves and avoid accidents

Why waste your time looking for a place to park when your car can do it for you?

An idea that was pure science fiction a few years ago is becoming reality thanks to automatic robot cars.

There's now a driverless car that can drive into a car park at walking pace, let a pedestrian pass, and back into a narrow space without the merest bump or scrape.

The technology that makes this possible has been developed by Swedish car company Volvo and French parts maker Valeo. It is still in the prototype stage but could be on the market in six years.

Some cars can already drive themselves in certain circumstances. The Mercedes CLS brakes by itself when the driver fails to react to the risk of an accident. Some BMW models warn drivers they are about to go over the white line, and can go into automatic pilot in traffic jams.

"Lots of the technology is already out there," said Guillaume Devauchelle, director of R&D at Valeo. "But now we are at a turning point."

Rapid progress in radar and detection camera technology now allows cars to "see" things going on around them. Computers analyze road conditions and make the car react accordingly.

Which means that car makers believe that they will have models on the market capable of driving by themselves by 2020, and utterly autonomous robot cars by 2030.

This could radically cut mortality, said Franck Cazenave, marketing director at the parts maker Bosch, since "90 per cent of accidents are caused by human error."

There are other benefits. As cars begin to talk to one another, and with computers running the road system, traffic will run more smoothly, with huge savings on fuel.

According to Sébastien Amichi of consultants Roland Berger, after 2030, there could be "fleets of vehicles available 24/7 that will come to pick you up wherever you want, and do so with amazing efficiency."

These cars also make life more comfortable.

"Drivers won't have to drive so they will have that time for themselves," says Cazenave. AFP

They drive better than you

"90 per cent of accidents are caused by human error."

Franck Cazenave, Bosch marketing

Taking control

New sports version of S Class is more high-tech than ever

Mercedes has unveiled the sports version of its new S Class Coupe. The Mercedes S63 AMG Coupe, successor to the S63 AMG Coupe, will be available in late 2014.

Thanks to its twin-turbo V12 engine with 630 hp, combined with a seven-speed automatic transmission, the new coupe can go from 0 to 100 km/h in 4.1 seconds.

Like the rest of the S Class range, the S65 offers a wealth of driver-assistance features, including everything from night-vision assistance to assisted emergency braking and driver fatigue alerts. The car is also equipped with systems designed to avoid accidents, detect pedestrians and alert the driver to lane departures.

Perhaps the most impressive technology is Magic Body Control, an active suspension system that detects road conditions and adapts the suspension accordingly. The car can even lean into the curves of the road, a little like a motorcycle. AFP

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So you want to be a race-car driver

Get ready to shake some hands. James Hinchcliffe warns there's as much work off the track as on

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As far as jobs go, you could do a lot worse than IndyCar driver.

Sure, you have to work weekends during the summer, but the money's not bad. Neither is the satisfaction level. It's way fun, too. And the teams always provide high-quality meal spreads on race days.

So maybe you saw last weekend's IndyCar doubleheader in Toronto, and it got you thinking that you should seriously pursue race-car driving as a career, or at least consider it for a fallback position should your current gig as wedding planner, audiologist, or telephone marketer not pan out.

Well then, you've come to the right place. Because we recently got some insight into the race-driver life from James Hinchcliffe, Canada's top IndyCar driver.

We caught up with him at a Honda Canada press event at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park (formerly Mosport), a few days before the big races in Toronto.

The first thing we learned is that race drivers do a lot of this promotional stuff. Hinchcliffe figures it's about a 70/30 split for out-of-the-car promotional duties versus in-car race-car duties. The sheer volume of the former was the thing that surprised him the most when he first made the leap to the big leagues.

"In the junior categories, all you have to worry about is driving the car. Now, all of sudden, you have to worry about media and sponsors. That's one thing people don't appreciate — how little time we have in the car, and how much we are working outside of the car."

IndyCar driver James Hinchcliffe took journalists on a hot lap around old Mosport in a Honda Civic Si. MIKE GOETZ

In addition to the practices and racing on race weekends, Hinchcliffe says drivers may only get one extra tech day a month. Quite a difference, he noted, from something like a professional hockey player, who's on the ice almost every day during the season.

"Other sports are also not quite as sponsor-dependent," he explains. "It's the nature of the sport."

And although there is a big team element to a successful race, that doesn't mean the whole team shoulders the promotional activities. The driver is the focal point for any media, sponsor or fan-related interest — unlike an NHL team, for example, which could theoretically send anyone on its 23-man roster to fulfill off-ice team duties.

But don't get the impression that those activities are a burden to Hinchcliffe. He enjoys them, and he's good at them.

He is a natural spokesperson and very approachable and personable. At the Honda event, he mingled with everyone the entire day.

Well, at least until it was time to put in a hot lap in a Civic Si, to give journalists a lap time to aspire to on the track.

I didn't even try. I opted for the other option: riding shotgun with Hinchcliffe.

He showed me that, although there are lots of fast grooves on the racetrack for amateur drivers to enjoy, there is always a waaaaaay faster groove out there reserved for the pros.

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
If you listen to what others say you will likely learn something to your advantage today. The Sun in Leo means there are opportunities coming your way.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
If the stresses of life are getting to you, take an hour out of your schedule and sit somewhere quiet where you can refresh both your body and mind.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
There is no point worrying about how you are going to make ends meet. You know from experience that something always comes up.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Look ahead to where you would like to be a month or even a year from now and start doing the things that can make it happen. The more you focus on the goals, the more likely they are to come about.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
The most important thing now is that you keep reminding yourself that all things are possible. You alone create the path you take through life and you alone are responsible for it.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You may have a brilliant idea but don't do anything with it yet. Let it simmer for a while. When you come back to it later, it will have matured.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Life is meant to be enjoyed and that is exactly what you will be doing over the next few days. Others will be attracted by your positive vibes.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
If you pay attention to what a friend tells you today, you will learn something to your advantage. At the very least you will avoid making the same kind of mistake.

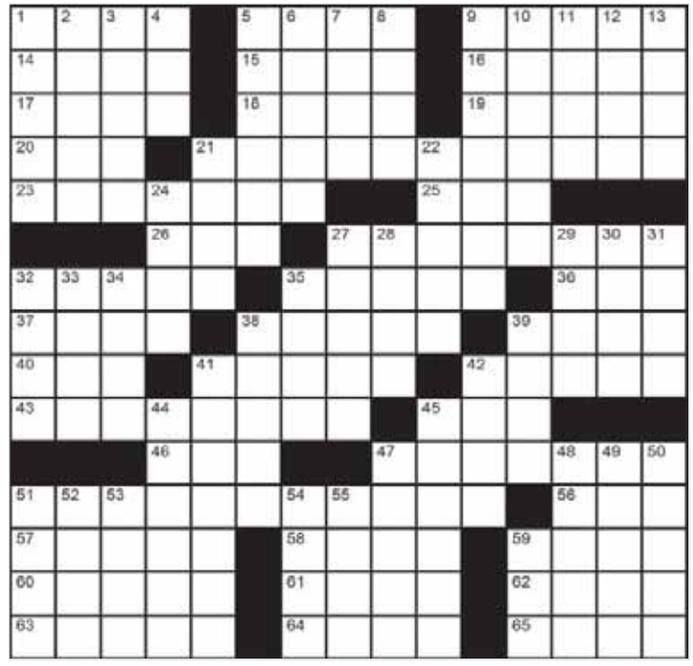
♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
The only danger now is that with so many marvelous things going on you could let down your guard and let others make decisions that are profitable for them but costly for you.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You're entitled to your opinion and to be heard but if you think everyone is going to agree with you chances are that you will be very disappointed.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Be nice to those you meet and do business with today. You are going to need their help over the next few weeks. Kind words will go a long way towards winning over important people.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
If someone says something hurtful about you today don't take it too seriously. Most likely they are just having a bad day and need to let off steam.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan



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5. Streetside eatery
9. Swayed
14. __ monde (High society)
15. Amongst
16. Fleshy-snouted animal
17. Contraption cartoonist Mr. Goldberg
18. Flatbread variety
19. Actress Ms. Christensen
20. Pres. Obama's country
21. Canada is the world's largest exporter of what crop?: 2 wds.
23. Prairie fruits, Saskatoon __
25. "I___ bit hungry, actually."
26. Entirely
27. Fictional Manitoba town in Margaret Laurence stories
32. Trans Canada __
35. "Long to __ over us / God save The Queen."
36. Cartoonist Mr. Keane
37. Mr. Malden
38. Irish writer Oscar
39. Bandar __ Begawan (Brunei's capital)
40. Vintage flicks American channel
41. Fixes
42. "Tall Tall Shadow" by Canadian songstress Basia __
43. Ottawa's NBL Canada team
45. Standard
46. Ike's WWII arena
47. Hockey goaltending great, Ed __, born in Carman, MB
51. Ontario scene of the annual Elvis Festival
56. Wildebeest
57. Aerosmith hit with Alicia Silverstone in the vid'
58. Grate
59. Ms. Drescher
60. Ms. Sevigny
61. Organic compound
62. Ernie and __
63. Charter
64. Trait carrier
65. Doctrines

Down
1. Bush
2. Hesitate
3. 2002 Canadian mockumentary
4. Fr. holy woman
5. "Bon Cop, Bad Cop" (2006) director, Erik __
6. Stockpile
7. Italian car
8. John Diefenbaker's first wife
9. Oprah's longtime love
10. Poland's capital
11. "I just baked _ __." ...said the baker
12. Greek Myth: Winged goddess
13. Diplomagetter, briefly
21. Pepper __
22. Array
24. Stairway feature
27. Blends
28. Assists
29. Biblical brother
30. __ Isabella, Canadian country songstress
31. Dismounted
32. Concert-goers' li'l purchases
33. Magazine __
34. Canadian __ (Military force)
35. Skater's spot
38. Trophy-getting team's shout!: 2 wds.
39. Ride the waves
41. "Young & Lazy" by Vancouver band The __
42. __ Eagle
44. Charioteering sun god
45. Barbra Streisand song
47. Higgs __, 'The God Particle'
48. Monsters
49. Take away weapons
50. Smallest litter puppies
51. Gladiator's 350
52 "What's Hecuba to him __ __ to Hecuba..." - Hamlet
53. Oasis song
54. "Dharma & __"
55 Decline
59. "The X-Files" org.

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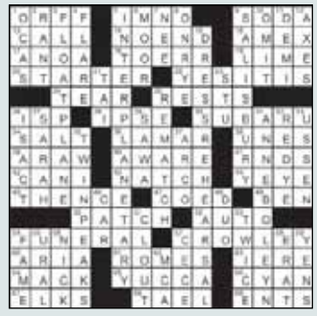

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Yesterday's Sudoku

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OR PAY **$112** BIWEEKLY

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14C033
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